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Father Darkleaf

By Calvin Robinson

owest thermometer recording
a.m. on my back porch has
26 above, thus far into what
been a mild sort of normal
r. Suits me, and the seed
flower catalogs look more
ractive each day. My batting
rage on gardening has never
n too high, and I wonder if
1965 I shouldn't just plant
catalogs.

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o many kind people have
n nice to us in 1964, we are
tly facing the new year with
slogan: It's great to be alive,
1965". Perhaps fewer of us
ke New Year Resolutions
n in days gone by. Actually,
st of them turned out to be
anuary Resolutions." My sug-
tion for anyone's New Year
solution would be: So conduct
rself that you can always
k anyone squarely in the eye
say: I did my best!

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t the moment I am down
h a "dripping" cold. Those
s of white on the clothes
ain't diapers . . . they are
handkerchiefs out to dry.
ght the cold by wearing an
pair of shoes worthy of Ad-
Stevenson when as a candid-
he had his picture taken with
"feet on the ground."
hkleaf went out and bought
pair of new shoes for me.
k as a whistle. Soon as I
ak them in, the next step
be to try on some of the
istmas neck ties.

* * *

Comes a note from Mr. and
s. O. R. Turnes, who are en-
ying a holiday fishing trip on
Florida West Coast. They
a cottage across the street
m our friends, the G. B.
hauns, Largo, Fla. The note
to a discussion as to cais-
ates for the one who liked to
the most. Mr. Turnes was
nominee, but others said that
E. (Dutch) Jamerson was the
mp. I added my brother-in-
G. L. Doss, and soon the
got very long and I gave up
the declaration that there
something very solid and de-
ndable about anyone who loves
go fishing. So, let us arise
sing, with vigor, a verse of
ah (Bring Them In) for all
rtsmen.

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nd while on the subject . . .
have known that Bro. Lloyd
Egan was a renowned rabbit
ter. That could explain the
od of dust we saw the other
. . . moving Westward to-
d the hills. It was caused by
ther, or herd, or passle, or
hatever you call a mess of
bits . . . heading to the hills.
ting for their very lives from
accurate gunfire of Bro.
chan (ha) and Bro. R. Bruce
ho they took time off to go
bbit hunting. I used to bait my
h snares with a slice of
ple. These nimrods must have
vidence it and the rabbits be-
me suspicious and took off,
eleven waiting to caucus. White
in the Sunset.

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History's pages will be adorn-
with the romantic story of
e Edward VIII, now the Duke
Windsor, who gave up his
alous throne to "marry the
man I love." I delight in medi-
ting upon this chapter of Great
ents . . . as indeed I do as to
brother, King George VI,
her of the present Queen
abeth II. George VI won my
art when I found that, as a
boy, he had mastered the
ration of the Linotype Ma-
ine . . . which is not easy.
Duke of Windsor and His
dy, came to Texas for a diffi-
operation which required
geons of great specialized
ill. The operation was a suc-
s and the news story related
the happy couple would
e a Christmas dinner in their
m at the hospital. The menu,
his request, featured stewed
ines and accurate Holy Smoke;
sure, my late Mother used to
ke me eat four prunes daily
ll it was good for my meta-
hism, or something. But for
Christmas dinner I much prefer
one Brightleaf and Thad this
day. By special invitation we
ve to Cullen to have Christ-
s dinner with her aunt, Mrs.
S. Bryant. What an occasion.
Bryant has 54 (fifty-four)
ldren, grandchildren and great
ndchildren and it seemed that
ryone was present. I am not
ling when I say that Bright-
has a lot of cousins. I set
out to eat "some of everything"
and they had to set up a special

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Celebrate Golden Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Cole (Johnny) of Pamplin are shown above at a reception given Wednesday evening, December 30 at their home to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary. Host and hostesses were their children, Mrs. Josephine Roach, of Tacoma Park, Maryland; and Miss Kathryn Cole and Glenn Cole, of Pamplin. Mrs. Gertrude Chick and Mrs. Ethel Norman, sisters of Mrs. Cole, assisted in serving friends and relatives punch, wedding cake, and assorted mints. A number of lovely gifts were presented to the couple. They were married at Prospect Methodist Church, Dec. 30, 1914, by Rev. Mr. Gee. Miss Cole, their daughter, presented them with a framed copy of their original wedding announcement together with a photograph taken on their wedding day.

Soil Loss County's Biggest Problem

ACP Signing Up Area Farmers To Share Cost Of Conservation

According to J. A. Martin, Chairman of the local ASC Community Committee, the 1965 Agricultural Conservation Program enrollment is now in progress at the ASCS office and will continue through February 15, 1965.

The Agricultural Conservation Program (ACP) provides cost-share with farmers for carrying out approved soil and water conservation measures on their farms.

The work of soil and water conservation is a never-ending one. The loss of topsoil is still one of Appomattox County's biggest conservation problems. More farmers each year are seeing the need for more and better methods of protecting their soils, however there still remains much to be done in the way of conservation.

Some of the most needed conservation measures on which cost-share is offered by the 1965 ACP Program are such approved practices as, seeding permanent pasture, improving permanent pasture, liming farmland, contour stripcropping, sod waterways, forest tree planting, drainage, ponds for livestock, ponds for irrigation and ponds for wildlife. Many others are offered in the county program. Personnel at the local ASCS office will be glad to discuss any of these practices with interested farmers.

Mr. Martin urges all farmers who have not filed their request for a practice to visit the ASCS office and do so at an early date — by February 15, 1965. Requests received after February 15 will be approved only to the extent that funds are available.

News Department Outfitted For Centennial

The News Department of the TIMES-VIRGINIAN namely one feminine member of it, has been given an outfit for "sleuthing and ferreting" out the news in this Appomattox' Centennial Year for commemoration of the end of the War Between the States.

The outfit, a "poke bonnet" and apron in blue and white cotton, was made by Mrs. Nathalie Robertson, who has made dozens of the sun-shading bonnets in the style of 100 years ago.

Need Costumes For '65 Events

Mrs. Rachel Lawson is preparing a register of all kinds of Civil War costumes and accessories for use during this Centennial year. If anyone has any items which may be borrowed for Commemoration activities, please notify Mrs. Lawson.

Garment Co. Gives Cloth

Appomattox Garment Company has donated 150 yards of materials to be made into period costumes. Mrs. Peggy Cole Lyons, RPI graduate, has already prepared fifteen designs. Home Demonstration Club members are planning to sew the gowns, according to Mrs. Emily Burke, secretary of Appomattox Heritage, Inc.

Other Centennial events are already underway. The Appomattox Garden Club later this month plans to display old containers and how they may be used for arrangements.

Appomattox High Schools annual staff is carrying out a Civil War theme for the 1965-65 yearbook.

Appomattox Lions celebrate their 25th anniversary this year with plans for a Civil War theme to mark their anniversary meeting in the spring.

United Daughters of the Confederacy will hold a district meeting here in April. Next month the Woman's Club will display painting of old homes and county scenes done by local artists and others.

McLean House Selected For 1965 Calendar

The McLean House in Appomattox has been selected as one of the twelve historic scenes to be portrayed on the 1965 calendars of Pilot Life Insurance Co. of Greensboro, N.C., and the calendars are currently being distributed, a company spokesman stated today.

The rendering of the scene is a reproduction of a drawing made by a well-known Virginia artist, it was stated.

A Pilot spokesman said that the local attraction was selected "because of its outstanding historic value to the people of this area and its appeal to persons throughout the South."

The calendar is being distributed to approximately 150,000 firms in industry and individuals throughout North and South Carolina, Virginia and Georgia.

Legion To Display Sales Material

American Legion Post 104 will hold its annual display of sales promotional material, including 1965 calendars, at the American Legion Hall on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 12 and 13. The display can be viewed from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on both days noted above.

The American Legion uses this sale as its major fund-raising venture to finance local projects. Ivey Holland, chairman of the fund raising committee, speaking for the Legion asks that business representatives and others again consider the use of these materials.

County Organizations To Support Local Centennial Commemoration

Youth Killed While Playing With Shotgun

A teen-ager was accidentally shot and killed Monday afternoon, Dec. 28, as he and another youth played with a shotgun during a hunting trip near Promise Land about seven miles south of here.

Dead is Henry Lee Baker, 13, Negro, shot by a 16 guge shell loaded into a 12 gauge shotgun while playing inside an auto with James Connell Scott, also a 13-year-old Negro.

Appomattox County Sheriff L. Stanley said Baker was killed at 4:45 p.m. as the two youths played inside the car after tiring of a hunting trip they had joined with three adults. All were neighbors from Concord.

Sheriff Stanley said they were pitching a dead quail up and down and taking turns pretending to shoot at it while the adults Benjamin Cheatham, Jimmy Clark and Carroll Lindsay Cheatham, continued to hunt on the Fred Jones farm about two miles north of Promise Land, located off Rt. 727.

Scott had placed the smaller shell in the 12 gauge weapon and was handing it to Baker when it discharged, striking Baker in the forehead and killing him instantly. Scott could not determine if he had accidentally pulled the trigger, but the sheriff said the shell apparently slid down the barrel against the firing pin as the weapon was passed.

Billy Graham Film To be Shown Here

The new Billy Graham feature length sound-color motion picture "LUCIA" will be shown at 7:45 p.m., January 19, at Memorial Methodist Church.

"LUCIA" was made in its entirety in Buenos Aires, directed by World Wide Pictures' President, Dick Ross.

As long as you live you will never forget LUCIA".

Farmers Vote Yes To Market Leaf Quotas

Preliminary returns announced today from Dec. 15 referendum on flue-cured tobacco marketing quotas show 342,454 or 96.5 per cent of 355,021 growers voting favored marketing quotas for three marketing years beginning July 1, 1965. The no vote totalled 12,567. A record number of growers voted, exceeding 260,163 in 1952.

Since more than the necessary two-thirds of those voting favored the 3-year quotas, marketing quotas program will continue in effect for 1965, 1966 and 1967 crops of flue-cured tobacco.

Marketing quota penalties will apply to flue-cured tobacco produced in excess of farm acreage allotment, and price support as provided in controlling legislation will be available to farmers who comply with their allotment.

In previous referendum on flue - cured tobacco marketing quotas, in December 1961, growers approved quotas for 1962, 1963, and 1964 crops. In that referendum, 194,121 votes were cast, of which 190,515 (98.1 per cent) were favorable.

A preliminary tabulation of the vote by states in the referendum shows that Virginia voted 32,359 "yes" to 1,650 "No", a total of 34,008 or 95.1 yes votes.

Travel Conference Begins Wednesday

RICHMOND, VA. — Should Virginia protest highway advertising laws that keep most of Virginia's travel attractions and facilities from telling their story on interstate highways? This is a question that will be discussed by travel industry representatives at the Annual Travel Conference of the Virginia Travel Council, to be held at the Golden Triangle, Norfolk, Virginia on January 13-14-15 and 16, 1965.

Rebels Face William Campbell Here Friday Night — Girls' Game 7 P. M.

The New Year opens for Appomattox Rebels and Rebelettes Friday night here as local players face William Campbell on Rebels home court, beginning with the girls' game at 7 p.m. In this action shot above, taken at the Rebels-Rustburg game, Lawrence Phelps, (44) jumps toward the hoop with Harry Davis (32), Wilfred Rogers (32) and Larry Guill, (30) getting in on the play. Rustburg defenders race in at the far right. The Rebels have been practicing during Christmas vacation looking forward to victories during 1965.

Small Business, Farm Loans Now Available Through FHA

The personnel of the Farmers Home Administration office of Farmville will attend an area meeting in Roanoke January 13-14 to discuss the new Economic Opportunity (EO) Loan Program as authorized under Title III of the Economic Opportunity Act of 1965.

The new service will open up Government credit aid for the first time to many rural families who previously were unable to obtain either public or private loans to improve their earnings. The Farmville FHA office is now authorized to accept applications for such loans up to $2,500.00 to finance small family businesses, trades, services and farming enterprises. Rural cooperatives serving low income families and providing services and facilities not otherwise available may also be eligible for credit under this program. The interest rate will be 4-one-eighth per cent.

Borrowers will also be provided continuing management aid to help them make a success of their new businesses or farming enterprises.

To be eligible for the new rural credit program, an individual applicant must:

1. Live in a rural area.
2. Have income insufficient to cover basic family necessities.
3. Be unable to obtain credit from other sources, including the Farmers Home Administration, and
4. Show a reasonable promise of succeeding in the enterprise to be financed by the loan.

A cooperative, to be eligible, must be primarily composed of and serve low-income rural families, and be unable to obtain credit from other sources. Farmers Home Administration, a U. S. Department of Agriculture Agency serving all rural counties and presently operating a $750 million rural credit program, will administer the new loan service under delegated authority from the Office of Economic Opportunity. The OEO coordinates the President's War on Poverty.

Applications for these loans may be made at the Farmers Home Administration office in Farmville. The office is located in the Watson Insurance Building. Hunter P. Evans is the County Supervisor. Mr. Evans also has part-time office hours at Appomattox at the ASCS office on Tuesday mornings from 9:00 to 9:30 a.m.

Special Stamps Set For 1965

WASHINGTON — The Post Office Department Saturday announced plans to issue six new postage stamps and a commemorative postal card next year.

They are:

A commemorative stamp honoring former President Herbert Hoover, who died Oct. 20 at the age of 90.

Commemorative stamps for traffic safety, the Salvation Army, the Magna Carta, and Dante Alighieri; a reproduction of a John Singleton Copley painting and a postal card commemorating the 175th anniversary of the Coast Guard.

11 Set For 1965

This brings to 11 the number of commemorative stamps planned for 1965. Post Office Department policy is to issue about 15 stamps annually.

Postmaster General John A. Gronouski said: "We gave thoughtful consideration to the great number of requests for new stamps and have selected for issuance what we think will contribute to a well rounded program for the year."

The Dante Alighieri stamp will be issued for the 700th anniversary of the Italian poet's birth. His masterwork was "The Divine Comedy".

The Salvation Army stamp marks the 100th anniversary of this nonsectarian organization that conducts its work in 85 countries.

Traffic Safety

The traffic safety stamp will call attention to the need for reducing the number of highway accidents which now cause a toll of nearly 47,000 lives and almost 8 billion a year.

The Magna Carta stamp will take note of the 750th anniversary of the granting by King John of what became the basis for trial by jury, due process of law, habeas corpus and other foundations of British and American common law.

The American painting series, which previously included work by Frederick Remington, Winslow Homer, John James Audubon and Charles M. Russell, will continue with a stamp based on a painting by John Singleton Copley. Copley, who lived from 1738 to 1815, was described as one of America's first great painters.

Hertiage To Vote Friday On Proposal

Officers of Appomattox Heritage asked for and received a vote of confidence from representatives of approximately 30 county organizations at a meeting Tuesday evening.

Dr. J. A. Mathews, Heritage vice-president and Mrs. W. W. Burke, secretary told the group that Commemoration activities to mark the end of the War Between the States at Appomattox as outlined by the John B. Rogers Company, would cost about $20,000, with $10,370 of this amount going to the company to pay for a stage backdrop, costumes, props, and personnel to direct a week long concentrated series of events.

Appomattox' initial outlay of funds to "get the Commemoration going", according to Dr. Mathews would be approximately $1500 with the balance of an estimated $6,000 being raised by Buckingham and Prince Edward counties together with the cities of Lynchburg and Farmville.

Mrs. Burke said that if the John B. Rogers plan is adopted by Appomattox Heritage and the counties and cities participating the various clubs and organizations of Appomattox would be contacted for funds to provide operating capital for the Commemoration.

Fund-raising projects during the Commemoration include six performances of a "mammoth historical spectacle" complete with fireworks, plus the sale of program booklets, and Commemoration coins and plates.

Appomattox Heritage will vote on the John Rogers Co. proposal on Friday.

Rabies Clinic Set For Jan. 14

Appomattox County Health Department announces there will be a dog rabies vaccination clinic on Thursday, January 14th from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. behind the Court House in Appomattox Va. The fee for this clinic will be $1.50 per dog. Dogs over 4 months of age may be vaccinated.

Dog tags for 1965 can be purchased at the Treasure's Office. Evidence of rabies vaccination within 3 years is necessary for each dog. Dogs over 6 months of age must have tags.

CYNTHIA RICHARDSON

Named Member Of Fashion Board

Miss Cynthia Richardson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Richardson, has been selected as a member of the McCalls Teen Fashion Board for 1964-65. This honor was awarded to Cynthia for her outstanding achievement in sewing and clothing class work. Nominated by her home economics teacher, she met all standards for membership in this national honorary organization. Cynthia was awarded a certificate of membership, a membership card, and a TFB pin at the December meeting of the Future Homemakers of America.

Woodmen Of World Install Officers

Woodmen of the World, Camp 71, celebrated the completion of their first nine months as a camp on December 18 with a dinner and installation of new officers for 1965. District manager Bobby Phelps, above left, reports an increase during that time from 76 members to 309. With him are new officers Marvin House, Jr., watchman; Charles T. Rice, South Boston; head consul WOW; B. K. Martin, newly installed consul commander for Camp 71; B. Earl Clapp, Lynchburg, area manager; J. Peyton Harvey, auditor. Behind them: Ralph Reynolds, advisor lieutenant; Wayne Lee, banker. Marshall D. Goin, sentry; and Richard Robinson, escort.